

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Geoffrey Brent et al. Art Unit : 3641
Serial No. : 10/596,066 Examiner : Gabriel J. Klein
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Title : METHOD OF BLASTING MULTIPLE LAYERS OR LEVELS OF ROCK

Mail Stop Amendment

Commissioner for Patents
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INTERVIEW SUMMARY

The undersigned representative thanks the Examiner for the courtesy of the telephone interview held on January 26 and 29, 2010.

The substance of the interview included a discussion of claim 1 and WO 02/057707. During the interview, the Examiner indicated that adding a limitation “wherein the throw blast in any selected blasthole precedes the stand up blast in said selected blasthole” to claim 1 would overcome the WO02/057707 reference. Applicant requested that no examiner’s amendment be made at this time and requested time to consider the claims further.

Respectfully submitted,

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